TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

West Fertilizer Company dba Adair Grain, Inc. Incident Situation Report #33 May 3, 2013

Subject: April 17, 2013 Explosion at West Fertilizer Company dba Adair

Grain, Inc.

Location: 1471 Jerry Mashek Drive, West (McLennan County), TX 76691

This report covers activities conducted during the operational period, beginning May 3, 2013 at 0700 hours through May 3, 2013, 1500 hours.

- 1. Matthew Vaughn (Waco Region) (SOSC), and Brad Monk (Waco Region) (MCC) staffed this operational period until 1900 hours on May 3, 2013. Jack Lunday (CID) staffed this operational period until 1400 hours on May 3, 2013.
- 2. TCEQ contractors conducted air monitoring this operational period. Contractor staff included OMI (7 staff), CTEH (4 staff), and SWS (5 staff) until 1500 hours on May 3, 2013.
- 3. The focus for this operational period is continued air monitoring. There continues to be no emissions above action levels.
- 4. Specific chemicals being monitored by CTEH included volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and ammonia.
- 5. A Debris Management meeting was held today at 1000 hours. It was requested that TCEQ determine if the old City of West landfill facility will be able to be used for disposal or only material staging. The next Debris Management meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at 1000 hours in the High School.
- 6. The household hazardous waste (HHW) collection event will take place Saturday through Sunday, May 4-5, 2013 from 0800 hrs to 1800 hrs at 1329 North Davis Street. The event will be conducted by OMI with TCEQ oversight. OMI moved operations over to North Davis Street in preparation for the HHW event.
- 7. The EPA MCC demobilized today at 1100 hours. EPA's Mark Hayes will continue to provide on-site support on a periodic basis.
- 8. WMARSS approved acceptance of the ammonia scrub water for treatment and disposal which was generated during the anhydrous ammonia tank off loading event on April 20-21, 2013. A sample was taken and delivered to the WMARSS laboratory for analysis on May 2, 2013. The result for

ammonia was 33,000 ppm, which due to the high strength, will require dilution with effluent and slow introduction into the system.